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FM AMEMBASSY MBABANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5235

INFO AMEMBASSY GABORONE

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DEPARTMENT PASS AID

E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, BC, LT, WZ

SUBJECT: AIA INTEREST IN BLS AIRLINE

REF: STATE 141179

1. OFFICIAL GOS PLANNING OFFICE CALLED AT EMBASSY
JULY 19 WITH COPY LETTER TO MINISTER WORKS, POWER,
COMMUNICATIONS FROM FRED BRAUCH, ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT
ALASKA INTERNATIONAL AIR. LETTER EXPRESSES INTEREST IN
FORMING INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE "FOR OR INVOLVING"
SWAZILAND. LETTER STATES "...USA STATE DEPARTMENT IS
WILLING TO PARTIALLY FUND A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO DETERMINE
IF AN INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE... WOULD BE FEASIBLE." LETTER
CONTINUES, QUOTE. OUR PROPOSAL WOULD TAKE THE FOLLOWING
STEPS;

A. MEETING WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF SWAZILAND
AND BOTSWANA.

B. FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SWAZILAND; FEASIBILITY STUDY

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FOR BOTSWANA; JOINT FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SWAZILAND AND

BOTSWANA.

C. COMPLETED FEASIBILITY STUDIES TO BE PRESENTED TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS.

D. MEETING WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OF EACH COUNTRY EITHER JOINTLY OR SEPARATELY TO EVALUATE STUDIES AND DETERMINE COURSE OF ACTION.

E. PRESENT STUDIES AND REQUEST LOAN FROM U. S. A. STATE DEPARTMENT.

F. FORM AIRLINE, EMPLOY PERSONNEL, BUY EQUIPMENT, ETC. UNQUOTE. LETTER CONCLUDES WITH PROPOSAL FOR EARLY MEETING.

2. GOS PLANNING OFFICIAL NOTED AIRPORT FEASIBILITY STUDY FUNDING REQUESTED FROM AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (U. K. HAS REFUSED) AND THAT GOS WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEPARATE AIRLINE FEASIBILITY STUDY IF FUNDING CAN BE FOUND.

3. EMBASSY VERIFIED AIA REPUTABLE COMPANY AND SUGGESTED GOS PURSUE CORRESPONDENCE. EMBASSY POINTED OUT HOWEVER THAT FUNDING FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY UNLIKELY BE FORTHCOMING FROM STATE OR AID.
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